

created the Missing Children Assistance Act of 1984, which established the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. Also, John and his wife established the Adam Walsh Child Resource Center, and he has been host on "America's Most Wanted" since 1988. This TV program helps capture the worst criminals in America. He still is married and he has three children now, and he works daily to protect our children.

Polly Klaas was abducted from her bedroom in the middle of the night on October 1, 1993, by Richard Allen Davis in California. He later strangled her and sexually assaulted her, and in December of that year, Davis led police to her body, and they discovered that she had been buried alive. Davis, a previously convicted felon, was sentenced to death in September 1996. He is on death row now in California waiting to be executed, as he needs to be.

Marc Klaas, her father, worked in a Hertz car rental center in San Francisco prior to her death. Memories of his daughter Polly were sitting on the couch, watching her favorite show "The Simpsons." She had a love for performing. She also loved to play her clarinet and would have loved to have been an actress.

But the effect of her death, Mr. Speaker, in the words of her father, Marc, he said, "I wanted to be dead for 10 years. No one has affected my life so positively and nothing has affected my life so negatively."

After her abduction and murder, Marc gave up his business and dedicated his life to protecting our children. He is the founder of the Klaaskids Foundation, a nonprofit organization; and in 1994, he was instrumental in establishing the "three strikes, you're out" law in California. A third felony conviction means those criminals go to prison for 25 years to life.

Mr. Speaker, number three, Jessica Lunsford, 9-year-old girl in Florida. She was abducted also from her bedroom on February 23, 2005, by a repeat sex offender, John Couey. This occurred in Homosassa, Florida. He repeatedly sexually assaulted her, and then he buried her alive in his backyard.

It is interesting to note that "America's Most Wanted" helped capture this individual.

On March 18, 2005, Couey confessed to raping and killing Jessica and told police where she was buried. He is waiting trial; and, hopefully, the folks in Florida will administer their corrective punishment, the death penalty, in his case.

Mark Lunsford, her father, normal guy. In fact, he moved to Florida to protect his children. He was in the Army after high school and he loved his kids. He just worked as a heavy equipment operator at a recycling center. He says about his daughter that she loved to work with him and operate this heavy equipment. They took care of each other because that is what families do.

The effect of her death has helped him to also work for children. He is helping get Jessica's Law passed in 18 States, which increases the minimum penalty for sex offenders to 25 years for first offenders.

Mr. Speaker, these three fathers from three different backgrounds had a child stolen from them by a child predator. As a father of four and a grandfather of five, there would be nothing worse than to have a child murdered.

I know all three of these fathers. In fact, two of them are in Washington today. They are still fighting for kids, and they are here today because the President signed the Adam Walsh Child Safety Act to toughen up registration of child predators.

Twenty-five years ago today, Adam Walsh was kidnapped.

Mr. Speaker, children are our greatest resource, and every time a child is born, God is making a bet on the future of our culture. We are not judged by the way we treat the rich, the famous, the powerful, the influential. We as a society are judged by the way we treat the weak, the innocent, the children.

The voices of these three children, the roll call of the dead, Jessica, Polly and Adam, call from the graves for justice. America must be the land that concerns itself with the protection of its children, and we must win this war against those child terrorists who steal the lives of our children.

And that's just the way it is.

#### REPORT ON RESOLUTION WAIVING REQUIREMENT OF CLAUSE 6(a) OF RULE XIII WITH RESPECT TO CONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN RESOLUTIONS

Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 109-606) on the resolution (H. Res. 958) waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

#### ENERGY BILL ANNIVERSARY BRINGS PAIN AT THE PUMP

(Mr. BROWN of Ohio asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. BROWN of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, tomorrow is the first anniversary of the House passage of the Bush energy bill.

Our Republican colleagues probably want to take a victory lap, but they just cannot afford the gas. Gas prices, you see, in that 1 year are 71 cents higher today than they were 12 months ago.

The Republican energy bill fails American consumers by design.

They moved it a year ago, even though they knew it would grow our dependence on foreign oil because it offered \$85 billion in consumer subsidies to Big Oil and the other Republican corporate campaign donors.

It has paid off. Eighty-four percent of Big Oil's more than \$10 million in political contributions for this November's elections have gone to Republicans, 84 percent. Is it any wonder who the Republican energy bill really serves?

Too many of my Republican colleagues are addicted to oil company campaign contributions.

We need to reject the failed policies of the past. We need to build a brighter future of greater energy independence by using energy smarter, investing in new, job-creating energy technologies and, for instance, making my State of Ohio the Silicon Valley of alternative energy.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. POE). Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Nebraska (Mr. OSBORNE) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. OSBORNE addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

#### HONORING DR. ROCH DOLIVEUX

Mr. GINGREY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to speak out of turn.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the gentleman from Georgia is recognized for 5 minutes.

There was no objection.

Mr. GINGREY. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to commend a fine constituent of the 11th District of Georgia, Dr. Roch Doliveux. Dr. Doliveux is the chief executive officer of UCB, Incorporated, a leading global biopharmaceutical company with facilities in my district, the 11th of Georgia, in the town of Smyrna.

Earlier this year, Dr. Doliveux received the Epilepsy Foundation's Distinguished Achievement Award in New York City. The Epilepsy Foundation annually recognizes individuals who have made outstanding efforts on the behalf of those living with epilepsy.

As the CEO of UCB, Incorporated, Dr. Doliveux has spearheaded his company's efforts to raise awareness of this disease, and he has leveraged its resources to develop and provide medicines to help patients return to their daily activities.

In our country, epilepsy affects 2.7 million Americans and their families. Mr. Speaker, epilepsy is a seizure disorder that can develop at any time in life, and it can stem from a variety of causes; but it is always a costly and frequently debilitating disease.

That is why, as a physician Member, I am so proud to stand on the floor of this body and extend my congratulations to Dr. Doliveux for his fine work on behalf of the Epilepsy Foundation.

#### IS PEACE POSSIBLE?

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to address the House.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the gentlewoman from Ohio is recognized for 5 minutes.